H. S. R. No. 24

By: Hall Peeler

HOUSE SIMPLE RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF WARREN R. (GABE) GARRETT

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WHEREAS, on October 27, 1966, the City of Corpus Christi and the State of Texas lost an esteemed citizen and a devoted public servant in the passing of the Honorable Warren R. (Gabe) Garrett; and

WHEREAS, Gabe Garrett was born in Newburn, Tennessee, in 1888, lived part of his youthful years in the State of Oklahoma, but returned to the State of Tennessee for the remainder of his childhood; and

whereas, he was a student of theology for two years, but in his early manhood turned to the acting profession, joined a western road show on tour of the nation, and appeared in some of the earliest western motion pictures produced in California; and

WHEREAS, Gabe Garrett served with honor in the Army of the United States during World War I, spending six months in Germany with the Army of Occupation, and being discharged from military service in 1919; and

whereas, he moved to Corpus Christi in 1930, and entered the printing and publishing business, later founding a weekly newspaper known as the Voice-Chronicle, which he successfully published until his death in 1966; and

whereas, Gabe Garrett was elected a member of the House of Representatives in 1950 and refelected to a second term in 1952, serving with distinction in this body as a Representative of Nueces, Duval and Jim Wells counties, being known for his friendly disposition, his devotion to the people of Texas, and his willingness to labor long and hard for those projects which he believed to be beneficial for Texas; and

WHEREAS, he was the author and sponsor of a legislative project known as the "Garrett Plant" for the construction of a dam across the Nueces River to provide a fresh water reservoir for Corpus Christi prior to the

construction of Wesley Seale Dam, which plan created considerable controversy and was never undertaken; and

WHEREAS, Gabe Garrett commanded the highest esteem of his fellow citizens and the greatest respect from his colleagues in this body for his high sense of duty and his devotion to the people of Texas; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Flora; one daughter, Mrs. Richard L. Price of Atlantic City, New Jersey; and one sister, Mrs. R. J. Walker of Martin, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the State of Texas wishes to pay tribute to Gabe Garrett, our distinguished former Member, for whom we have the highest respect and greatest admiration for his lifetime of service to out State; now, therefore, be it resolved

RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Sixtieth Legislature that we adjourn this day in memory of Warren R. (Gabe) Garrett, and that a page in the House Journal be set aside in respect to him; and be it further

RESOLVED, that e copy of this Resolution be sent to his wife as an expression of our sympathy for his passing and our great regard for this outstanding Texan.

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Add names of all members

Dorothy Hallman

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

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